



Press release

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The small, innovative company ECOMB AB, from Södertälje in Sweden, has received a significant order from Coventry & Solihull Waste Disposal Co Ltd., in England, which is one of the UKs paramount Waste to Energy plant operations. The order valued at SEK 8 Million, will represent a significant development for the company following a difficult period, which included staff reductions and cost cutting exercises.

The order comprises ECOMB's Ecotube system, which reduces emissions of environmentally harmful substances generated when burning waste material in combustion facilities. By adding very small quantities of high-pressure air, the vital mixing process in the furnaces is significantly improved and emissions of carbon monoxide (CO) and nitrogen oxides (NOx) are radically reduced. At the same time the efficiency of the furnace is improved. The order was placed by Coventry & Solihull Waste Disposal, following a rebuild in 2001, of one of the company's three waste fired boilers in Coventry, with an Ecotube system. The installation has been so successful that the customer decided to order the same system for the other two boilers, which burn municipal waste and other refuse.

'We are well positioned in our negotiations with other potential customers in the UK, Holland and the USA.' says Ulf Hagström, managing director of ECOMB. 'The future looks very promising. In Europe the demand is, primarily, governed by the new EU directives for waste incineration, which have significantly tightened the limits of flue gas emissions. The order from Coventry has proved very timely and shows that we are on the right track. Many incineration plants in Europe do not yet meet the new EU directives and this has led to a great deal of interest in our technology'. 'We believe that, in the near future, we may have to increase our engineering staff.' concludes Ulf Hagström.

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